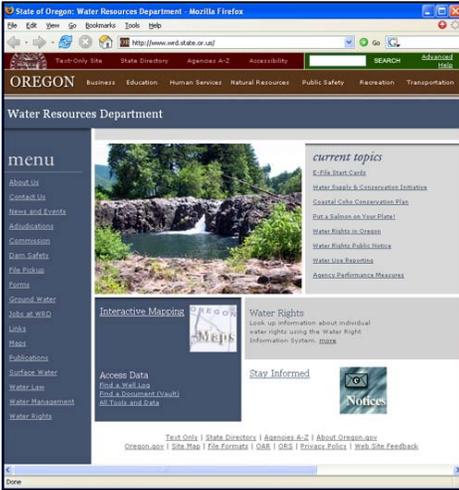




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Online Information



Internet services

www.wrd.state.or.us

The Department's website provides access to data bases on water rights and ground water, hydrographic data, geographic information and mapping utilities, and shared files. The site also contains reports, agendas, administrative rules, statutes, and information about Department studies and programs.

Additional resources are available through the Oregon Geospatial Enterprise Office (GEO):

<http://gis.oregon.gov>

Water Resources Information System (WRIS)

This system is used to access the Department's data base of all water rights, permits, applications, and instream water rights in Oregon. WRIS can be used to look up water rights by permit or certificate number, location or name and can prepare a summary report. The system accesses all water right applications, permits, certificates and transfers.

Well Log Database

This data base of information related to ground water resources contains reports for nearly 400,000 water wells drilled in Oregon. Viewable using a web browser, it is fronted by an extensive search engine.

Water Availability Report System

This system provides access to the Department's water availability data base which contains information integral to the evaluation of water rights and basin planning. Department policy limits the total monthly appropriation of water from a stream (for both instream and out-of-stream uses) to the amount of water that flows naturally in the stream that month at least 80 percent of the time. This policy ensures that water users can expect to have water a reasonable amount of time.

The data base is continually updated and provides the user with the amount of water currently available for appropriation for streams in most areas of the state. The data base, when used with other Department resources, can assist in assessing possible water supply sources and availability.

Geographic Information System (GIS) Catalog

The Department's GIS section is an excellent resource for maps that illustrate water use. In addition to these services, an online interactive mapping utility available through the Department's website can be used to dynamically create maps of water rights in a given area. This user-friendly application allows Internet users to create maps that depict water rights, water availability (above), and hydrogeology with an assortment of data layers. The GIS section also provides basin maps and state maps that graphically depict many issues. A nominal fee may be charged for generating some maps.



The Vault

The vault is an online repository of scanned documents. Continually growing, this vast collection of Department documents and maps is a treasure trove for research. Accessible using a web browser and Adobe reader, users will find simple, straight forward access to Department information.